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Rly. office construction at Madikeri invites protest

- **Thalassery-Hunsur-Mysuru Railway Line via South Kodagu**
- **Mysuru-Mangaluru Line via North Kodagu**
- **Kodagu set to become a District of Railway junctions and Inter-State Highways**

The works on National Railway Development Project building under progress at Stone Hill in Madikeri.

Madikeri, Jan. 6 (PS&BCT)- At a time when the residents and Green Groups of Kodagu are vehemently opposing the two Railway Lines (Thalassery-Mysuru via South Kodagu and Hunsur-Periyapatna-Kushalnagar-Madikeri-Mangaluru) cutting across the green and ecologically sensitive district, a new office of the South Western Railway (SWR) is coming up at Madikeri. The construction has raised the hackles of Green Groups and they have called for immediate intervention by Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha.

The works on constructing the building that belongs to **National Railway Development Project** is being carried out at a brisk pace at Stone Hill and one acre of land has been acquired for the purpose. The place has been excavated and pillars are being constructed for a sturdy foundation. According to engineers, the works will be completed by April or May.

The building will be spread across 5,500 sqft and will include facilities for vehicle parking, underground space and a plush office that will include office and residential complex for employees. The construction is being closely monitored by the Railway Civil Engineering Wing.

(See OFFICE on page 13)

MP must intervene: Col. Muthanna

Pratap Simha *Col. Muthanna*

Reacting to the construction of the Railway building at Stone Hill in Madikeri, Col. Cheppudira P. Muthanna, President, Coorg Wildlife Society, who is spearheading a movement to stall the Rail projects, told *Star of Mysore* this morning that it was an unfortunate development.

"MP Pratap Simha must use his influence to stall the construction. He is our sole representative in New Delhi and he must exert pressure on Railway Minister Piyush Goyal to stop the construction as Kodagu does not need a Railway Line," he said. He added that Kodagu District Minister M.R. Seetharam had promised that Railway lines will not be allowed into the district.

(See MP on page 13)

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Mysuru, Saturday 6th January 2018

First things first

Pondering over the goings on in public spaces across the country witnessing turmoil pitching the administration at all levels from local to national and the land's people, senior citizens who have memories of their bygone days decades ago are prompted to recall idioms and proverbs, particularly in Kannada, relevant to decline in the manner of public conduct in general and quality of life in particular. Looking back at the country's past history, taking the erstwhile Princely State of Mysore for purpose of illustration, one can effortlessly recall from memory names of many luminaries in different fields of human endeavour and also mentors cherished and held in unalloyed respect in society of their times. One of such kind, DVG has scripted a number of volumes throwing light on instances of administrations benefiting from the advisory from the society's leading lights. That *culture* of interaction between authority and the wise has apparently vanished.

While monarchs featured by chroniclers in the pages of history of different regions of the land are credited with qualities of nobility and good governance, their think tanks have remained in the background, barring a few exceptional persons among them such as the advisors of the Moghul ruler Akbar (16th century).

The nation, bugged by multiple problems and the administration facing virtually insurmountable challenges of addressing the problems, doesn't stand isolated in the global scenario, given the large number of countries placed similarly and some of them in deeper trouble. But, that doesn't allow room to remain complacent, given the unstable equilibrium of sorts in inter-country relations. The country has neither the wherewithal nor a cohesive team at the top of administration to take on the plethora of tough situations that the masses have been creating 24x7 for short term gains of some sections of them.

While there are no quick fix solutions to contain the restlessness of virtually the entire population, the two agendas namely *(a)* creating conditions for the unemployed as well as educated youth to be engaged in economically productive jobs and *(b)* taking pragmatic measures to prevent exodus of rustics to urban spaces merit urgent attention on priority. But, the question that shall remain begging for answer is doubtless for the land's people to rein in the vote-seekers, the real wreckers of the nation.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

NO KIDDING: ***The United Nations Children's Fund has reported that nearly 3,86,000 babies were born on New Year's Day, with India leading the list with 69,070. More than 90 per cent of the births took place in less developed regions. Over half the births were estimated to have taken place in nine countries: India was followed by China (44,760), Nigeria (20,210), Pakistan (14,910), Indonesia (13,370), the US (11,280), the Democratic Republic of the Congo (9,400), Ethiopia (9,020) and Bangladesh (8,370).***

— In Business Standard.

NEWS SPARKLERS

Secret tomb of St. Nicholas

Ankara: Researchers believe they may have found the final resting place of St. Nick. A recent scan of the ground beneath St. Nicholas Church in the Turkish province of Antalya has revealed what local officials say could be a secret tomb. They believe the tomb could belong to the popular Christian saint who helped inspire the legendary character Santa Claus. The discovery was made using ground-penetrating radar amid local speculation that St. Nicholas, who was born in the church's town of Demre, previously known as Myra, could still be buried there. Cemil Karabayram, Head of Antalya's Monument Authority, expressed high hopes for what may lie there. A body previously thought to have been St. Nicholas was moved out of the church in the 11th century and is believed to have wound up in Italy, Newsweek reported. But some Turkish officials are now saying those remains could actually have belonged to an unidentified priest, not St. Nicholas. That's the theory of Professor Yıldız Ötüken of Hacettepe University's history of art department, according to Karabayram.

They built an Island to avoid public drinking ban!

Wellington: In order to avoid a liquor ban that was in effect during New Year's celebrations, a group of resourceful New-Zealanders built their own tiny island in an estuary on the Coromandel peninsula. This allowed them to enjoy a few drinks in peace as they were technically in "international waters," and not subject to the public drinking ban. Public drinking was banned on the entire Coromandel Peninsula of New Zealand during New Year's Eve celebrations, in order to deter violence, and would-be offenders faced fines of up to $250. Police reportedly patrolled to enforce the ban, but they couldn't really do anything about a group of young revelers casually enjoying a drink or two on a small island that they had built themselves just a few feet from shore, in the town of Whangamata. The BBC reports that the group of intrepid kiwis built the tiny island during low tide on Sunday afternoon, installed a picnic table and a couple of benches, so they could enjoy their alcoholic drinks and watch the fireworks.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

How long should I brush my teeth?

In order to do a thorough job of brushing, you'll need to brush for at least two minutes.

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Entries invited for Natarajothsava-2018

Mysuru, Jan.6 - The 32nd edition of Natarajothsava -2018, a National-level Festival of Male and Couple Dancers under the auspices of Vasundhara Performing Arts Centre (VPAC) Trust, will be held from Mar. 23 to 25 at Vasudevacharya Bhavana, JLB Road, Mysuru, between 6 pm and 9 pm.

Dancers in the age group of 15 to 30 years may take part. The Trust will provide stage with blue backdrop, light and sound, boarding and lodging for outstation artistes, cash honorarium as fixed by the Trustees, citation and memento. Those interested to participate may apply before Jan. 31 with three action photos, bio-data either by post to: T.R. Harish, Programme Coordinator, VPAC Trust, No.1, West Cross, Ashoka Road, Mysuru-570001 or by email: *hariprasadassociates@gmail.com* [Mob: 9845120407].

Music competition at Alwar Kala Bhavan on Jan. 13, 14

Mysuru, Jan.6 - Srikrishna Gana Sabha has organised a music competition on Jan.13 (from 2 pm onwards) and Jan. 14 (10 am onwards) at Alwar Kala Bhavan, 6th Main, 4th Cross. Gokulam 3rd Stage.

The events include Classical (Vocal and Instrumental on Sunday morning), Bhavageethe, Bhaktigeethe and Janapadageethe on Saturday afternoon for those in the age group of 6 to 10 years (Sub-Junior), 11 years to 15 years (Junior) and 16 years to 25 years (Senior).

Those interested may register their names at the Temple Office from 8 am to 10 am and from 6 pm to 8 pm from Jan.4 to 12. For details contact Mob: 9480383641 or Ph: 2510495.

Raga-Tana-Pallavi singing competition on Jan. 21

Mysuru, Jan. 6 - Shruthimanjari Foundation, on account of its 20th annual music festival, is conducting a State-level "Mosale Krishnamurthy Memorial Raga-Tana- Pallavi" singing competition on Jan. 21 (Sunday) at Rotary West Auditorium in city at 10 am. The first prize winner will be given a cash prize of Rs.5,000 and a chance to sing during the annual music festival later this month. Last date for submission of filled in applications is Jan. 18. Details can be had from Dr. R.N. Sreelatha, 580, P&T Block, Anikethana 9th Cross, Kuvempunagar, Mysuru-570023.

Music Learning Camp

The Foundation is also conducting a music learning camp of Muthuswamy Deekshitar's Rare Compositions from Jan. 17 to 19 at its premises in Kuvempunagar. For details contact Ph: 0821 2541527 or Mob:9945124825.

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- ***Only a few hundred people in the world are known to have the rare blood type H-H. A person with H-H blood can't receive blood transfusions of any other blood type and may need to store their own blood in advance of an operation.***

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VOICE OF THE READER

Aadhaar linking, a suggestion

Sir,

I would like to give my suggestion to the Aadhaar linking problem of D. Venkateshaiah (*Star of Mysore* dated Dec. 29). Biometric readers do have a variety of problems including cleanliness of the glass, the users health and lastly the Internet speed in case of access to databases is needed.

People engaged in physical work have often cuts and bruises and recognition of finger impression is difficult. When one has to get his own pension or cash withdrawal by biometric withdrawal, he or she may conclude after some frustration that it is the government's intention to delay. That is why they take all 10 finger prints and it is good enough even if one matches. The biometric identification is programmed to go ahead after 80% matching of data takes place. Despite all this there are problems.

Even in case of restricted data, like in daily attendance at office, the biometric reader does not recognise the individual and one has to **re-enroll** himself. **There is a similar provision of re-enrollment in Aadhaar database and one has to wait for the enrollment cycle to complete like in a fresh case.** One does not have to feel bad although frustrated if unrecognised.

Fortunately, for SIM card matters at BSNL and similar matters, there is a provision to give an old copy of Aadhaar backed up with some form and a photo declaring that the Aadhaar number belongs to the individual. One can use this facility.

—S. S. Rao

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Workshop on Assessing Personality

Mysuru, Jan. 6- A three-day workshop for finalising the Framework for Assessing Personality was held at the National Testing Service-India (NTS-I) of Central Institute of Indian Languages (CIIL), Mysuru recently.

Skill development is an integral part of personality development education that contributes to the learner's personality growth. Hence, at NTS-I, any achievement test construction includes testing of one's personality besides testing one's subject knowledge. Towards achieving this objective, NTS-I has been developing separate frameworks for assessing achievement, aptitude and proficiency.

During the workshop, the experts went through the material, found it necessary, and put their best efforts to make it worthwhile for the stakeholders in the field of Teaching and Testing. The Assessing Personality comprises approximately 100 terms in the areas of Cognitive, Affective and Psychomotor domains.

The experts who participated in this programme are Prof. D. Kumaran (formerly of University of Madras), Prof. G. Venkatesh Kumar (Department of Psychology, University of Mysore), Dr. Gnanadevan and Prof. Chandra Mohan (Associate Professor, Department of Education and Assistant Professor, CAS in Linguistics respectively from Annamalai University, Chidambaram, TN).

Dr. V. Ilangovan (SRP, NTS-I) coordinated the workshop.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Coaching for Coast Guard aspirants

Backward Class Welfare Department is conducting preliminary coaching and guidance to eligible male candidates from Backward Class who intend to join the Indian Coast Guard. Coaching is free with food and accommodation. Eligible candidates can apply online before Jan.10 at 5.30 pm. For details, contact Ph: 080-65970004.

Prabhavana Rathyatra on Jan.7

As part of Gomateshwara Mahamastakabhishekha, the 'Prabhavana Rathayatra,' which set off from Shravanabelagola recently, will arrive in city on Jan.7. The Rathayatra, will be received at Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple at the North Gate of the Palace at 10.30 am. The yatra will pass through prominent roads of city before culminating at M.L. Jain Boarding Home on Chandragupta Road. Mayor M.J. Ravikumar, MLA Vasu, Corporators Shivanna and Snake Shyam, Palace Board Dy. Director T.S. Subramanya and others will be present. For details, call Mob: 94480-49136 or 94484-02002.

BC candidates asked to submit marks sheet

The Backward Classes Welfare Department will be selecting Backward Community students seeking admission to Bank recruitment coaching classes, based on the marks secured in degree course and category wise reservation. As such, those aspirants, who have already applied online, have to submit their degree marks sheet latest by Jan.8. For details, contact Ph: 080-65970004 or log on to: http://backwardclasses.kar.nic.in/

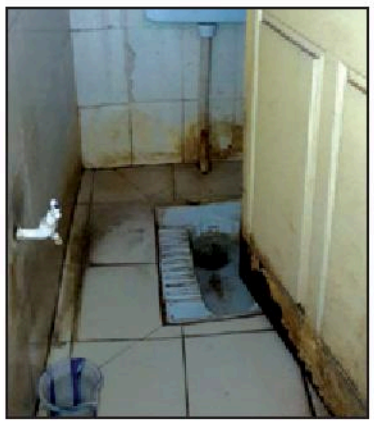
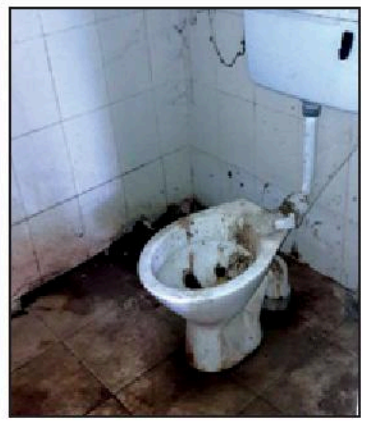
Educational Expo at Suttur Jatra

Suttur Jatra to take place at Suttur from Jan.13 to 18, will feature Educational Expo for students and members of the public. The expo involves display of over 200 Mathematical, Agricultural, Scientific and Social models prepared by High School students.

Eye and Heart check-up camp

Bhavasar Kshatriya Mandali, in association with Lions club of Mysore Narasimharaja, Lions Club of Mandya Sugar City, DTD Foundation, MRC Eye Hospital and Narayana Multi-Speciality Hospital, Musuru, will be organising a free eye cataract and heart check-up camp at Sri Panduranga Vittalaswamy Temple on Kabir Road in Lashkar Mohalla at 10 am on Jan.8. For more details, contact Mob: 93437-06223 or 98867-18263, according to a press release.

MCC blind to muck, filth under its very nose

Mysuru, Jan.6 (SBD&NNN)- The efforts and the length that the District Administration and the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) is putting to see that the city regains its top ranking in the cleanliness drive in the country is truly laudable. They are leaving no stone unturned to create awareness among the public to participate in Swachh Survekshan 2018.

Sadly, however, if one peeps into the toilets in the MCC, it is a sickening sight with washbasins and commodes in a pathetic state. Even the state of the urinals is deplorable. The doors to the toilets are in a poor condition.

The white western style commodes have turned black and yellow. Even the Indian style toilet is no different. The city is being spruced up throughout the day with Pourakarmikas working extra hours. But it is an ugly sight at the MCC premises and there is also lack of water in the washrooms. There is definitely everything unhealthy about the place.

Hundreds of people visit the MCC on various errands and sometimes they have to wait for hours to get their work done. Now, they are forced to go to the only toilet available in the vicinity. Even the Corporation drivers and staff have to use the same toilet.

The Central team will visit the city next week for Swachh Survekshan. The citizens are gearing up, now it is the turn of the Corporation. One only hopes that this mess at the toilets in the MCC is a thing of the past, at the earliest.

Prime accused in 1993 RSS office blast case arrested

Chennai, Jan.6- The Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) yesterday arrested Mushtaq Ahmed, one of the prime suspects in the 1993 Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) office blast case in Chennai. He had remained elusive for over 24 years.

The powerful blast triggered at the State headquarters building of the RSS in Chetpet in Chennai on Aug.8, 1993, left 11 persons dead and seven others injured. The blast that was triggered using RDX brought down the multi-storeyed RSS office. The case, which was initially investigated by the Crime Branch CID, was transferred to the CBI by the State Government.

Ahmed, who was allegedly instrumental in procuring explosive substances for the terrorist attack and in arranging hideouts for the accused at various places, was reported to be absconding.

Since he could not be traced, the TADA Court declared him a proclaimed offender on Jan.5, 1994. On completion of investigation in the case, the CBI filed the chargesheet.

CBI had announced a reward of Rs.10 lakh for providing credible information about Ahmed.

Deepak Rao's killers got huge money, reveals probe

Deepak Rao

Mangaluru, Jan.6- The Police have learnt that four men arrested on the charge of murdering BJP worker Deepak Rao, had received huge amount of money recently.

According to sources, prime accused Pinki Nawaz received a huge amount of money, which was later shared among the four. The amount was transferred through a bank account.

The four suspects — Pinki Nawaz, Rizwan, Mohammed Naushad and Mohammed Irshan — were arrested within hours of the murder on Jan.3. The first two sustained bullet injuries when the Police opened fire to nab them and the other two are being interrogated by the Police.

"The Police are investigating whether the money was paid for the murder. Deepak Rao was not a prominent leader of BJP, Bajarang Dal or any other organisation. He was only a BJP member. The Police are investigating the purpose behind the transfer of money," said a Police Officer, who is part of the investigation team.

Aid from MLA refused

Meanwhile, the family members of Deepak Rao refused to accept a compensation of Rs.5 lakh offered by Mangaluru MLA Moinuddin Bava, out of his personal money.

When the MLA visited Rao's home yesterday, the family members sought to know why he did not attend the funeral. Though Bava tried to convince the family members that the Police had asked him not to go citing law and order issue, the former remained unconvinced. When he offered to issue a cheque for Rs.5 lakh on his personal account, the family refused any help from him.

MCC Commissioner writes to RC on Mayoral polls

Mysuru, Jan.6 (RK&DM)- With the Government announcing the Reservation Matrix for the Mayoral polls, Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) Commissioner G. Jagadeesha has written to the Mysuru Regional Commissioner (RC) to announce the poll schedule and hold election to Mayor and Deputy Mayor posts.

The Government which reserved the Mayor post to SC (woman) and Deputy Mayor post to ST (woman), has notified the same in the State Gazette, following which MCC Commissioner G. Jagadeesha has written to the office of the in-charge Regional Commissioner, Mysuru, M.V. Jayanti at Bengaluru on Thursday.

Following the letter M.V. Jayanti is likely to visit Mysuru on Monday, when she is expected to announce the Mayoral poll schedule.

Likewise, the in-charge Regional Commissioner is also making preparations for the Legislative Council polls from South Teachers Constituency, South-West Teachers Constituency and South-West Graduates Constituency, it is learnt.

M.V. Jayanthi to continue as In-charge Regional Commr.

M.V. Jayanthi

Mysuru, Jan.6- With IAS Officer P.A. Meghannavar not taking charge as Mysuru Regional Commissioner, Bengaluru Regional Commissioner M.V. Jayanthi will continue to hold additional charge as In-charge Mysuru Regional Commissioner.

Meghannavar, who was serving as Bagalkot Deputy Commissioner, was promoted and posted as Mysuru Regional Commissioner a few weeks ago.

But as he failed to assume charge, M.V. Jayanthi, a senior IAS Officer, will continue to function as In-charge Mysuru Regional Commissioner.

State Cabinet to discuss Kurubarahalli Sy. No. 4 and Alanahalli Sy. No. 41 land row

Siddharamaiah *Randeep*

Mysuru, Jan. 6 (RK&DM)- The State Cabinet will shortly take up the Kurubarahalli Survey No. 4 and Alanahalli Survey No. 41 land row which has been lingering for several years.

Chief Minister Siddharamaiah, who recently held a meeting with Urban Development, Revenue and Mysuru District in-charge Ministers, Departmental Secretaries, Mysuru Deputy Commissioner (DC) and K.R. MLA M.K. Somashekar, had directed the authorities to take measures for facilitating property owners in MUDA-formed layouts coming under the two Survey numbers, to transact in respect of their properties.

The CM's meeting discussed the DC's report on facilitating *khata* registration and transfer, sale, sale deed, map approval etc., in respect of MUDA-formed layouts — Siddarthanagar, K.C. Layout, Vidyanagar, Alanahalli and Income Tax Layout coming under the two Survey Numbers.

The previous DC's report declaring that the land under Kurubarahalli Survey No. 4 and Alanahalli Survey No. 41 was 'B' Kharab land, had posed a lot of problems for the residents of the localities. But based on the report of the current DC, the government had directed the Revenue Department officials to seek legal opinion from the Advocate General and also to bring the matter to the notice of the Court.

Accordingly, the Revenue Department sought the opinion of the Legal Department, following which the Department began preparations to table the issue before the State Cabinet for taking an appropriate decision.

DC D. Randeep, speaking to *Star of Mysore*, said that he has already submitted a report on the issue to the government and the district administration presented all additional information at the high-level meeting held in Bengaluru recently. He added that the district administration had no further role in resolving the long-pending land row.

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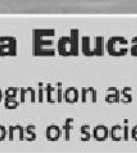
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Tiger Census at Nagarahole, Bandipur from tomorrow

Forest officials briefing the men who will conduct the Tiger Census at Nagarahole National Park. Picture right shows the initial preparations for the census around the core area of the National Park.

Hunsur, Jan.6 (Mahesh)- The personnel of Nagarahole National Park and the Bandipur Tiger Reserve have made all preparations to conduct Tiger Census-2018. The census will be held from Jan. 7 to 13 at Nagarahole and Bandipur and from Jan. 22 to 27 (the date might extend till Feb. 3) in territorial forest divisions.

The census includes study of forest animals, their natural habitat, conditions, number of herbivores and carnivores animals and their balance, their protection and the park's condition.

Eight beat teams have been formed in eight ranges of the Nagarahole National Park. Each team consists of four people including a guard. The census has already begun in the 2 km line-transact survey and the information will be recorded in the designated pattern.

This time, the census will go hi-tech with the help of an Android mobile application. The Wildlife Institute of India (WII) developed the app, called the Monitoring System for Tiger-Intensive Protection and Ecological Status or M-STrIPES.

The movements, droppings, pug marks of carnivore animals like tigers, leopards and others will be recorded. Similarly, footprints, droppings of herbivores like elephants, bison, deer, sambar, rabbits, wild boar and wild goat will be studied using the guidelines and identifying them through line-transact survey. Along with this, the census will include whether there is any effect on domestic animals living in villages adjoining the forests.

The line-transact survey that was used earlier during elephant census is once again being used. The census includes two days for preparations, three days for carnivores and another three days for herbivores and the fauna of the forest.

A power-point presentation was made by Nagarahole Assistant Conservator Forest Antony Paul. Veeranahosahalli Range Forest Officer Madhusudhan, Deputy Range Forest Officer Naveen, Forest Guard Praveen and Naturalist Gopi trained the teams. More than 250 staff including RFOs Shivaram, Kiran Kumar, Aravind, Subramanya, Sudheendra and Sharanabasappa participated in the training.

The Nagarahole National Park has an area of 644.3 square kilometres and has eight ranges. Since there is a presence of many tigers in such a short area, it has gained a lot importance. All preparations have been done for the tiger census including the training of the personnel, ACF Prasanna Kumar told *Star of Mysore.*

Safaris to be open during census with changed timings

Mysuru, Jan. 6 (MTY&BCT)- The Forest Department that had decided to close wild safaris at Bandipur and Nagarahole during the census from Jan. 7 to 13 has now decided to withdraw the order giving a chance for the tourists to go on such safaris.

The Department, in its earlier notification, had said that as there were chances of wild animals being disturbed during the census the safari was banned.

At a meeting held in Bengaluru yesterday under the chairmanship of Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Punati Sridhar, it was decided to allow the safari as a normal practice.

The officials felt that hundreds of tourists including foreigners would have booked the safari through online and they will be put to inconvenience if the safari is cancelled. Also, there was a demand from the public not to cancel the safaris.

It was decided to alter the safari timings. While the tiger census will take place from 6 am to 7.30 am, the safaris will start at 7.30 am after the census ends. Usually, morning safaris are held between 6.30 am and 8.30 am. From Jan. 7 to 13, safaris will start from 7.30 am to 10.30 am.

The timings have been changed to preserve the pugmarks or droppings on the safari route in case any tiger passes through. These pugmarks and droppings would be lost if safari vehicles move in the area, said Ambadi Madhav, Director, Bandipur Tiger reserve.

City scribes seek 'Health Fund' for journos in Budget

Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa assures to discuss issue with CM

Mysuru, Jan. 6- District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa assured the journalists that he would discuss their demand of a separate 'health fund' for their fraternity, in the next Budget, with the Chief Minister.

He was speaking after releasing the 2018 calendar brought out by Mysuru Photojournalists Association at Rajendra Bhavan in JSS Hospital here yesterday and said that there are several instances of Bona Fide journalists, who fall sick and unable to meet the hospital expenses. Dr. Mahadevappa was reacting to the suggestion of senior journalist K. Shivakumar and said that he would discuss the issue with the Chief Minister and try to incorporate the idea of 'Health Fund' in the coming Budget.

District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa** (5th from left) **releasing the 2018 calendar brought out by Mysuru Photojournalists Association at Rajendra Bhavan in JSS Hospital in city yesterday as** (from left) **journalist M.T. Yogesh Kumar, photojournalist Madhusudhan, senior journalist K. Shivakumar, JSS Mahavidyapeetha Secretary S.P. Manjunath, MUDA Chairman D. Dhruvakumar, MLA K. Keshavamurthy, Mysuru Travels Association President B.S. Prashanth, photojournalists K.H. Chandru and Anurag Basavaraju look on.

Recalling the demise of journalist Anoop Kumar, who passed away suddenly and expressing his condolence, he said that the suggestion was welcome in such cases and a way would be found to implement it.

Journalist Shivakumar said that the journalists, who work hard day and night, do not have any social security. The words that journalists stitch and the lives they lead hardly match.

"We talk about the differences in the society. But many in our fraternity are living in miserable conditions as there is no job guarantee. Five prominent journalists have lost their lives in the recent past. The Government should ruminate on this. In the next Budget at least Rs. 10 crore must be earmarked for the 'Health Fund' for journalists," he said.

JSS Mahavidyapeetha Secretary S.P. Manjunath, MUDA Chairman D. Dhruvakumar, Nanjangud MLA Kalale Keshavamurthy and others were present on the occasion.

The photos of Pragathi Gopalakrishna, Anurag Basavaraj, K.H. Chandru, S.R. Madhusudhan, M.N. Lakshminarayana Yadav, S. Udayshankar, Hampa Nagaraj, A. Nandan, J.K. Nishanth, G.K. Hegde, Nani Hebbal and Irshad Ahmed have been featured in this year's calendar.

Stalled in RS, Triple Talaq Bill now pushed to Budget Session

New Delhi, Jan.6- The Triple Talaq Bill failed to make any headway in the Rajya Sabha (RS) in the Winter Session of Parliament that drew to a close yesterday. The Bill has now been pushed to the Budget Session that begins on Jan.29. The Triple Talaq Bill or The Muslim Women (Protection of Rights on Marriage) Bill seeks to outlaw Talaq-e-Biddat or instant triple talaq and punish offenders with a jail term.

The Bill was cleared by the Lok Sabha through a voice vote but could not be passed in the Upper House due to a deadlock over the Opposition's demand seeking its reference to a Select Committee for close scrutiny.

Parliamentary Affairs Minister H.N. Ananthkumar blamed the Congress for stalling the crucial Legislation and alleged that the Opposition came up with a new excuse everyday to defer its passage.

On the possibility of bringing in an ordinance till the Bill gets cleared, Kumar said, "The dates for the Budget Session have already been announced. We hope the Congress will understand the public opinion on the issue, reconsider their stand and pass it in the Budget Session. There is anger among people on this issue."

The Government rejected the Opposition's demand that before any other Legislative business, the House first take up an amendment for referring the Bill to a Select Committee. The Bill, which was cleared by a voice vote in Lok Sabha on Dec.28 and was stuck in the Rajya Sabha.

The Congress and other parties, including BJP ally Telugu Desam Party and the AIADMK and Biju Janata Dal, called Government-friendly parties because they regularly help it pass Legislation in the Rajya Sabha - want further scrutiny of the Bill by a Select Committee of the House, primarily voicing concern over the provision for a jail term.

They have argued that if a man who abandons his family goes to jail, he will not be able to provide for them. They want the Bill to include provisions for giving financial aid to Muslim women. There are also concerns that if the law is passed, it could be misused as it gives anyone the right to complain to the Police about the "triple talaq" to register a case and arrest a man.

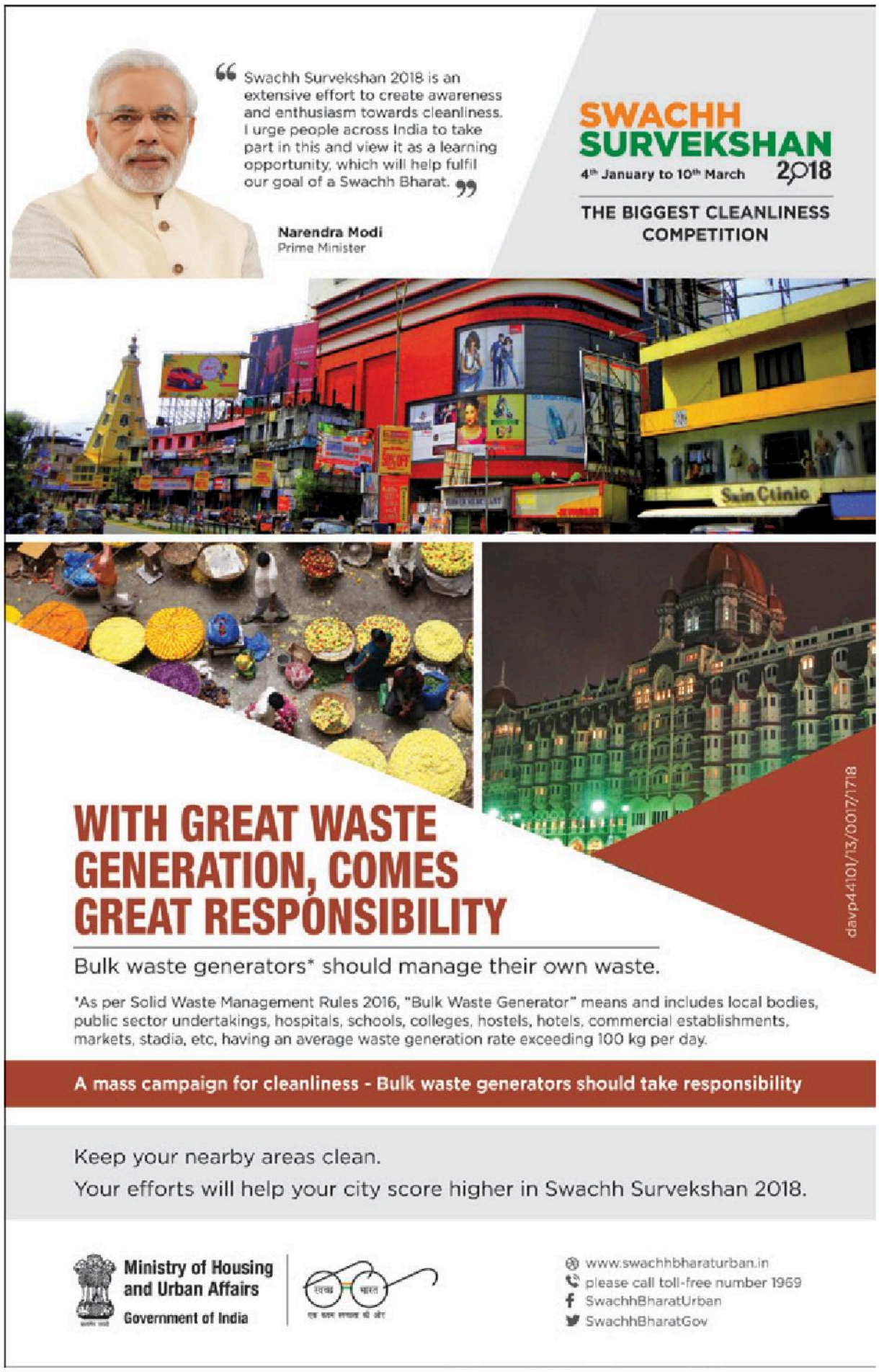
The Government is adamant it will not cede to the opposition and send the Bill to a panel. It accused the Congress of double standards and insisted that the Bill be debated in the Rajya Sabha so that it can "expose the Congress' hypocrisy" for opposing it in the Upper House after supporting it in the Lok Sabha, where it sailed through last week since the Government has a big majority.

Union Budget Session from January 29

New Delhi, Jan.6- The Budget Session of Parliament will take place from Jan.29 to Feb.9 while the Union Budget will be presented on Feb.1, Parliamentary Affairs Minister Ananth Kumar said yesterday.

The first phase of the Session will be from Jan.29 to Feb.9. After a recess, Parliament will meet again from Mar.5 to Apr.6, Kumar told reporters. President Ram Nath Kovind will address a joint sitting of the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha on Jan.29. The Economic Survey will also be tabled on the same day.

The Budget Session will have 31 sittings and besides presenting the Budget, the priority of the Government will be to get Parliament nod on the pending Triple Talaq Bill and the Constitution Amendment Bill to grant statutory status to the National Backward Classes Commission.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Human Beasts & Helpless Animals

On Tuesday, selfie-obsession took another life. This time it was not suicidal. It was murder.

On Monday an eight-month-old elephant calf with fever strayed near a village in Gundulpet with its mother. The villagers raised a ruckus and pelted stones at them. The mother and calf ran for their life. The mother made it back into the forest but the calf could not. That's when a pack of humans surrounded the calf, pushed it around, tugged at its tail, toyed with its sensitive trunk, pulled its ears and started clicking selfies. After much struggle, the forest officials managed to rescue the calf from the 'selfie-grip' of wild humans, but alas the calf died.

Meanwhile, the mother had returned to where she had lost her calf and stood trumpeting, calling for her baby, not knowing that cruel men had murdered her child, and for what? A selfie.

This tragedy shows how cruel we have become. Such acts of cruelty against animals are being reported across our nation. In Gurgaon's Mandawar village, a leopard was chased and beaten to death. This gruesome act was filmed and people posed triumphantly with its body.

In Chitradurga, Karnataka, people cornered a sloth bear and attacked it with sticks and rocks. The bear barely survived.

In Assam, a mob not only killed a leopard that had mauled and killed an elderly person but they cut up the big cat and ate it. Such acts make one wonder who is the real beast here?

But when humans turn into beasts it is the law that should scare them back to being humane, which isn't happening because the law itself needs some rescuing.

Under Section 11 of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960, a first-time offender can walk free after paying a paltry Rs.50 as fine. A second time offender would face a fine of upto Rs.100 and upto 3 months of imprisonment if the court wishes. But courts rarely wish punishment upon animal abusers.

Some of us may recall two incidents — first where two students of Madha Medical College, Chennai, filmed a video of themselves throwing a street dog off a terrace for fun. The dog suffered multiple fractures and now can hardly walk. But the students walked away comfortably after paying Rs.2 lakh fine to the Animal Welfare Board.

1. Selfie crazy villagers. 2. Humans attacking a leopard. 3. Bishnoi woman breast-feeding a fawn and her baby.

Then there is the case of four students of the Christian Medical College in Vellore near Chennai. These students caught hold of a monkey, tortured it in front of 30 classmates. When the Police came they found the monkey had multiple fractures from being tied up and beaten. They also saw that a stick had been inserted in the monkey's rectum and forced out through the front of its body and then partially burnt. It's shocking that not even one of the 30 classmates stopped this macabre act.

How perverse. How disturbing and more importantly, how can these medical students be allowed to become doctors, a profession that requires empathy and kindness?

The courts, apart from fining them, should have set up a team to monitor them because such level of sadism cannot make a good doctor. It can make only sociopaths who could be a danger to society.

Even the special animal, the Holy Cow, has it hard. Where are the *gau rakshaks* to rescue cows that are left to eat plastic bags which causes painful death?

Our MCC Commissioner recently said that cattle owners who let their cows wander and eat plastic near dustbins would be fined Rs.500 for the first offence, the second time they would confiscate the cow and take it to Pinjrapole. Was it done? No.

When you only talk about a stick and don't use it, people will assume you don't have one. This is the problem. Our law is only talk, there is no stick.

The father of this nation had said, "The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated." Today let alone animals, we don't even treat humans with kindness.

Now, when it comes to animals and nature all of us can learn a thing or two from the people of Bishnoi community in Rajasthan. This community with a few thousand people have been following Hindu Guru Sri Jambeshwar Bhagwan since the 15th century and religiously obey 29 rules set by him. One of the rules is that they should love and protect both animals and nature.

So this community fiercely protects its trees and animals. In fact, Bishnoi women even breast-feed orphaned baby deer. No wonder, poachers don't dare enter the forest areas close to this village.

It is said, "Humanity's true moral test, its fundamental test… consists of its attitude towards those who are at its mercy: animals." In that we have failed. We have failed because our laws have failed.

Even our Constitution states that one of our Fundamental Duties (Article 51(g)) is that we show compassion to all living creatures. But then, when have we ever cared about fundamental duties, we only want our fundamental rights. And so sadly animal rights are out of our sight.

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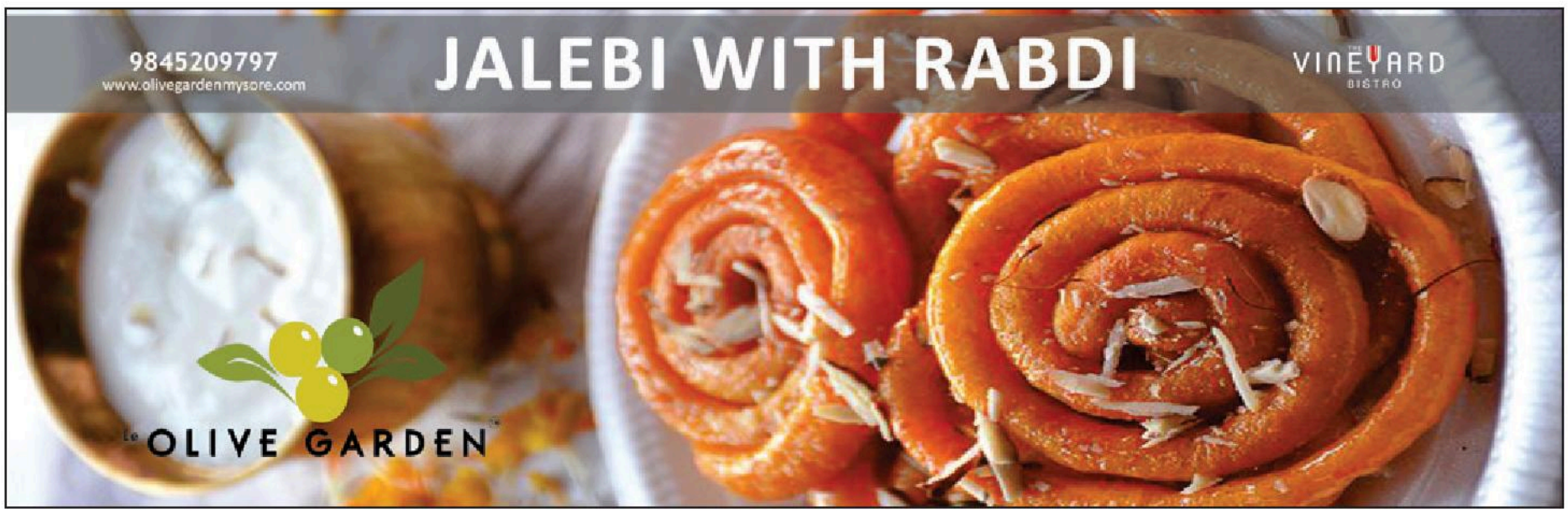

Weekend STAR Supplement

Mysuru Saturday 6th January 2018

Gala New Year's Eve

Party scene at Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Golf Club (JWGC).

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How Mysureans ushered in 2018

An artiste is seen performing at Silent Shores Resorts and Spa.

No, the 'Aunty' did not call the Police—like it is rendered in the Hindi song 'Party All Night' when the revelry went on non-stop all night on Dec. 31 to usher in the New Year.

Celebrations were organised at various places including popular hotels and clubs such as Hotel Radisson Blu Plaza, Hotel Rio Meridian, Silent Shores Resorts and Spa, Hotel Pai Vista, Golden Landmark Resort, Lobos Courtyard, High Park, The Quorum, Royal Orchid Brindavan, Jayachamaraja Waidyar Golf Club, Sri Kanteerava Narasimharaja Sports Club and others.

The parties began at about 8 pm with DJs playing some jazzy and dance numbers inviting the guests to hit the dance floor. And once the music started playing, people irrespective of age danced their way out to welcome 2018.

While some hotels had organised New Year event for guests and invitees from other places, a few preferred to keep it a low key affair by restricting the entry to only in-house guests. Compared to previous year's celebrations there was not much crowd in the hotels as most of them preferred to celebrate outside the city amidst the nature and tranquil atmosphere. However, the celebration was grand in JWGC with who's who of Mysuru attending the gala event.

Apart from JWGC, the celebration was grand at Silent Shores Resorts and Spa where comedian Danish Sait was the centre of attraction. The event at Hotel Radisson Blu Plaza also received a good response with majority of youngsters thronging the venue.

The Mysuru District Administration in association with Mysore Palace Board had organised the Mysuru Winter Festival which received huge response both from the tourists and the local residents. The week-long event, which ended on New Year's day, featured variety of programmes including cake and food festival, open street festival, film shows, flower show, cultural festival and much more at the Mysore Palace premises.

Like the previous year, Mysureans witnessed a spectacular display of fireworks at the Mysore Palace at the stroke of midnight on Dec. 31.

This year, the Mysuru City did not record a single crime be it a small accident or theft. The City Police had kept a vigil on each and every area in city to prevent any untoward incidents. The Police had also issued strict warning against those indulged in drunk driving.

In all, the New Year celebrations in city was peaceful and let's hope 2018 proves to be lucky and people find success in all their endeavours.

HAPPY NEW YEAR: ***Guests at the Lobos Courtyard ushering in the New Year, the stroke of midnight on Dec. 31.***

SELIFE LE LE RE: ***A group of youths seen clicking selfie during the celebrations at the Lobos Courtyard.***

Party revellers are seen shaking their legs to some of the best foot tapping numbers during the New Year party at Hotel Radisson Blu Plaza in city.

Grand celebrations at Golden Landmark Resorts.

Guest are seen shaking their legs at Hotel Pai Vista.

While the girls prefer to pose for shutter bugs, boys hit the dance floor at the The Quorum.

One of the guests showing off her dance moves at Lobos Courtyard.

Party scene at Silent Shores Resorts and Spa. Picture right shows Danish Sait** (extreme left) **posing with Dr. Jagannath Shenoy's son Govind Shenoy and son in-law Vinay Ramesh.

Office-bearers of Rotary Mysore

A group photo of the new office-bearers of Rotary Mysore, the pioneer Club in District 3181, which will be celebrating its Platinum Jubilee next year marking its glorious 75 years of service. (Sitting from left): Rtn. Chetan Vishwanath - Vice-President; Rtn. S. Manjesh Kumar - President-Elect 2019-20; Rtn. G.S. Sumeeth - President; Rtn. S. Ramachandra Raje Urs - Secretary; Rtn. B.M.Prakash - Treasurer; Rtn. Shanta Murthy - Imm. Past President; (standing from left): Rtn. Amir A.Vagh - Director International Service; Rtn. Goutham Salecha - Director Community Service; Rtn. Prahalad Cheluve Urs - Sergeant-at- Arms; Rtn. K.N. Manoj Kumar - Director Vocational Service; Rtn. Mubeen Sait - Director Youth Service; Rtn. Suchendra Balraj Urs - Director Club Service; Rtn. B.R. Arun - Editor & Webmaster; Rtn. M.S. Harish Shenoy - Joint Secretary.

Rotary Mysore Brindavan Team

Rotary Mysore Brindavan Team for 2018-19 (sitting from left): Rtn. K.S. Raghavendra - Vice President & Public Relations; Rtn. R. Mahantesh - Hon. Secretary; Rtn. Harish V. Kulkarni - President; Rtn. Prakash Keshav - Immediate Past President; Rtn. Dr. Shivashankaraiah - President Elect; Rtn. Krishna Bhat Kadappu - International Service; Rtn. Naipunya Mahesh - Membership Development; Rtn. Shreenidhi Murthy - Editor; (Standing from right) Rtn. Vijaya Kumar - Joint Secretary; Rtn. K.V. Manjunath - Director Club Service; Rtn. P.S. Nagaraj - Sergeant-at-Arms: Rtn. Ramamurthy - Member; Rtn. Prabhakara Murthy - Treasurer; Rtn. J. Mahesh - Director Community Service; Rtn. H.R. Keshav - Chairman District Projects; Rtn. Jayashetty - Member; Rtn. L.C. Dharmanand - Chairman Win; Rtn. Nanjappaswamy - Director Youth Service; Rtn. Md. Noorulla - Member; Rtn. Y.B. Chandrakanth - Chairman Polio Plus; (Not in picture): Rtn. Dr. R. Chetana-Director Vocational Service; Rtn. D. Ashwath - Chairman Rotary Foundation and Rtn. Krishnamurty - Chairman Advisory Committee.

Rotary Ivory City office-bearers

The new team of Rotary Ivory City Mysuru for 2018-19. President - Rtn.M.Perumal, IPP - Rtn. B.G. Nagaraj; President-Elect (2019-20) - Rtn. S. Balachandar; Vice-President - Rtn.Thenmozhi Perumal; Secretary - Rtn. Jyothi Mukesh; Treasurer - Rtn. Vadiraj Pogal; Directors - Club Service - Rtn. Mahesh Urs, Community Service - Rtn. K.R. Rajeev, Vocational Service - Rtn. Ifthikar Ahmed, International Service - Rtn. B. Harish, Youth Service - Rtn. Shobha Nagaraj and Sergeant-at-Arms - Rtn. S.G. Rajesh.

International Symposium on Global Business at SDM-IMD on Jan.8

Mysuru, Jan. 6- Shree Dharmasthala Manjunatheshwara Institute for Management Development (SDM-IMD) will be hosting an International Symposium on the theme "Global Business - Promises and Perils" on Jan. 8 at 9.30 am at the Institute campus on Chamundi Hill Road, Mysuru.

Dr. Pradeep Rau, Chairman and Professor of Marketing and International Business, George Washington University, Washington, D.C., USA, will deliver the keynote address.

The symposium will host students from Mays Business School, Texas A&M University, USA, as part of faculty-student exchange agreement. This will be followed by an interaction and knowledge sharing session between students of SDM-IMD and Mays Business School.

The symposium will culminate with a cultural programme by the students of both participating institutions. Those interetsed to participate may call Rekha Ganapathy on Ph: 0821 2429722 (Extn. 4215) or send email to: *rekha@sdmimd.ac.in.*

Naissance'18: Photography and debate competition

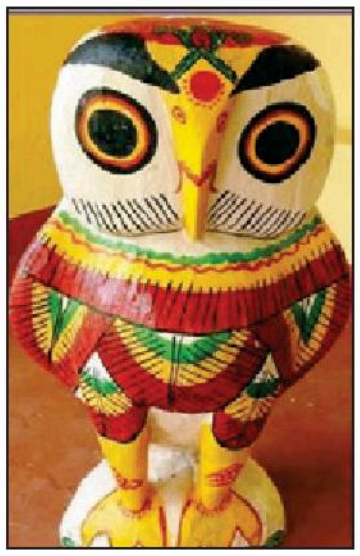
As part of Naissance'18, SDM-IMD will be conducting a photography and debate competition for Under-Graduate and Post-Graduate students on Jan. 12 and 13 at its premises in city.

Apart from photography and debate, there are other events like Marketing, HR, Finance, IT/Analytics, B-Quiz, B-Plan and Best Manager which are exclusively for PG students.

For details contact Nagendra on Mob: 99647-34487 or Ziaulla on Mob: 97407-06106 or email: *naissance@sdmimd.ac.in*

This Owl will not bring bad luck

Lakkhi-Pencha on display at IGRMS



Mysuru, Jan.6 - In general, owls are viewed as harbingers of bad luck, ill health, or death. But in West Bengal they are given a pride of place as a ritual object.

Lakkhi - Pencha, a decorative wooden object resembling an owl, is the Exhibit of the Month under the series by Indira Gandhi Rashtriya Manav Sangrahalaya (IGRMS), at its Wellington House on Irwin Road in city since Jan. 4. The artefact will be on display till Jan. 31.

Lakkhi - Pencha is an wooden owl, colourfully painted and decorated as an image, collected from Bardhaman district of West Bengal by Ravi Bhaskar. This ritual image of owl is believed to be the rider of Goddess Lakshmi and that is why it has got a ritual significance during Lakshmi puja in West Bengal.

Maa Lakshmi is one of the most revered deities for Bengalis. Lakshmi puja in Bengal is celebrated with much fervour and gaiety. It is celebrated in numerous ways in different parts of India. In some places Lakshmi puja is performed as an offering to the Goddess of Wealth. Lakshmi puja in Bengal, Orissa and Assam is celebrated on the full moon day in the lunar month of Ashwin. The markets in Bengal get flooded with beautiful idols of Goddess Lakshmi, also termed as Kojagari Lakshmi puja, which is a very special festival of the Bengalis.

It is believed that Goddess Lakshmi visits every house and asking for the one who is awake in their home. She blesses the one who stays awake at the night with fortune. So people, especially women of all ages do not sleep and wait to welcome the Goddess. To honour her visit, temple streets and homes are decorated with colorful lights. A meticulous fasting and puja brings all blessings from Goddess Lakshmi on the day of Kojagari Lakshmi puja.

Cultural contests by Kodagu Mahila Sangha tomorrow

Mysuru, Jan.6- Shree Kaveri Kodagu Mahila Sangha has organised cultural competitions (Dance, Drawing, Singing and Pick-and-Speak) at Kodagu Sahakara Sangha in Jayalakshmipuram on Jan.7 at 10.30 am. Ballachanda Naina Achappa will inaugurate the contest. Sangha President Balladichanda Jerry Ponnappa will preside.

Sangha members interested in taking part in the contests may contact Mob: 99015-36733 or 99642-36284, according to a press release.

Handloom Mela to conclude at JSS Urban Haat on Jan.14

Mysuru, Jan.6 - '*Samskruthi - 2017,*' the special handloom mela organised by JSS Urban Haat at its premises on Ring Road in Hebbal from Dec. 29 will conclude on Jan. 14.

A variety of sarees including Kanchivaram silk, Molakalmuru, Bengali Cotton, Maheshwari from Madhya Pradesh, Sambalpuri from Odisha, Gadwal Silk, Patola Silk from Gujarat are on display.

Weavers from 17 States including Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Gujarat, Jharkhand and Madhya Pradesh are taking part in the expo. A rebate of 20 percent has been offered on all purchase at the exhibition which will be open from 10 am to 9 pm every day.

Assembly polls: DC inspects training venue for ROs and AROs

Mysuru, Jan.6 (RK&DM) - With the State Assembly Polls just a couple of months away, the Election Commission of India (ECI) in association with the State Election Commission (SEC) has organised a 6-week training programme for Returning Officers (ROs) and Assistant Returning Officers (AROs).

A total of 600 ROs and AROs from across the State will take part in the training programme scheduled to be held from Jan.8 to Feb.22 at the Administrative Training Institute (ATI) on Lalitha Mahal Road in city.

The ECI has reached an understanding with ATI on training ROs and AROs by master trainers who are certified by the ECI.

Ahead of the Training Programme, Deputy Commissioner (DC) D. Randeep this morning visited the ATI to review the preparations. He took stock of the arrangements and the technological apparatus necessary for the training programme.

The 6-week training will be held in 6 sessions of 4 days each, with 100 ROs and AROs undergoing training in one session in two batches of 50 each.

The first session will be from Jan.8 to 11, second from Jan. 16 to 19, third from Jan.29 to Feb.1, fourth from Feb.5 to 8, fifth from Feb.12 to 15 and the sixth from Feb.19 to 22.

During the course of training, the ROs and AROs will be sensitised on every aspect of the election process right from voter list, verification functioning of EVMs, VVPAT, booth security, safety of strong rooms etc., to the counting table.

The training programme also features a 3-day workshop from Feb.20 to 22. The ROs, AROs and master trainers will be lodged at Kabini and Kapila Guest Houses in ATI premises.

ATI Joint Director (Training) V. Bhagyavathi, Chief Co-ordinator Loknath and other officials acompanied the DC.

Voter registration deadline extended

The Election Commission has extended the deadline for fresh voter registration, addition and deletion of names, corrections, transfer etc., to Jan.12.

Accordingly, youths who have completed 18 years of age as on Jan.1, 2018, can register by submitting the prescribed Form No.6 along with relevant documents at the respective polling booths until Jan.12.

Those intending to register, should carry two passport size photographs and enter part and serial numbers of previously registered voters from their families and their residential address proof and age proof (SSLC marks card) in Form No.6. The applicants are also required to fill all columns in Form No. 6 meant for first time registration of voters.

Form No.7 is meant for deletion of names from voter list, Form No.8 for corrections and Form No. 8A for change of address within an Assembly constituency. The applications must be submitted to the assigned officer in their respective polling booths.

Those who have applied for fresh voter registration in the drive that was held between Oct. 24, 2017 to Dec. 29, 2017 need not apply again.

The public can contact the Election Branch of MCC.

Mysuru features in Airport Authority calendar

The Airport Authority of India (AAI) has featured Mysuru in its 2018 calendar. There is a big image of the magnificent Mysore Palace and two small photos featuring the Mysore Airport at Mandakalli in the October month of the calendar. Incidentally, the world famous Dasara festival is also held during October. According to Mysuru Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep, of the 126 AAI airports, Mysuru has been featured this year and it is a matter of pride for all Mysureans.

Gold bars, Rs. 23 lakh cash at Dalvoy Lake !

Mysuru, Jan. 6 (MTY&BCT)- The Dalvoy Lake on Mysuru-Nanjangud Road was a beehive of activity this morning as people came to the Lake in search of gold and cash that had been dumped there by a gang of dacoits.

Over 50 people had gathered at the Lake following rumours that dacoits had covered some gold bars and Rs. 23 lakh in cash in plastic bags and had dumped them inside the Lake last night. The rumours were so strong that people came in search of the booty early in the morning today and some of them even entered the Lake and the rest were poking the water near the Lake's bund with long sticks hoping to strike gold.

People who were passing by the road stopped their vehicles to enquire what was happening. Some of them even joined the search for cash and gold. The rumour-mongers had claimed that the dacoits would return tonight to the same spot to recover their stolen wealth and the valuables had to be taken off the place before they returned.

Soon, another rumour spread that the Police have seized the gold and cash and had kept them at a Police Station. Ultimately, the people who gathered there realised that it was just a rumour and they had become a laughing stock. They later left the place, disappointed.

Rly. office construction

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A big signboard has been put up at the spot indicating that the land is owned by the South Western Railway and trespassers would be prosecuted.

It may be recalled here that 10 to 15 years back, the same Stone Hill location had housed a Micro Tower and a Control Room that would monitor the running time-table of trains plying in Southern areas of the country. Over 3.8-acre area had been used by the Control Room.

When the Railways modernised its infrastructure and coaches, the Control Room was rendered defunct and it was shifted from Madikeri. Later, the 3.8-acre land that was handed over to the Railways by the State Government was reclaimed by the State.

Now the Office is being constructed after the Railway Ministry announced projects that will pass through Kodagu district connecting Mysuru and Kushalnagar. The Railway Department then communicated to the State Government about the need of the land and accordingly, the Kodagu District Administration granted one acre of land under Survey Number 460/1P.

The land has been sanctioned to the SWR and even the title deed has been handed over. In turn, the Railway authorities have paid the specified price for the land as per government rates.

With the construction of a new Office, the Railways is all set to enter the otherwise serene district. This is in spite of a series of assurance from the Kodagu District In-Charge Minister M.R. Seetharam that Railway lines will not be constructed across Kodagu.

The construction of National Railway Development Project building has enraged the environmental groups who have opposed the rail projects which will further destroy the district that has already been ravaged by indiscriminate development.

MP must intervene

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"Pratap Simha has been promising us that if at all a Railway Line comes to Kodagu, it will be up to Kushalnagar only. But I wonder why an Office is being built at Madikeri when the Railway Line will stop at Kushalnagar. I feel that the people of Kodagu are being fooled and the governments have made up their mind to implement both the projects — Thalassery-Mysuru via South Kodagu and Hunsur-Periyapatna-Kushalnagar-Madikeri-Mangaluru Line," Col. Muthanna said.

Expressing anguish, he questioned how the Kodagu District Administration can sanction land for a project that is bound to destroy the district's ecology. "We demand that the construction must be stopped immediately. Unfortunately, our elected representatives at the Centre and State are not taking us into confidence but thrusting unwanted projects down our throats," he regretted.

No meeting this month

Mysuru, Jan.6- There will be no monthly meeting of Central Government Pensioners' Association, Mysuru, this month (Jan.10) due to unavoidable circumstance, according to Association President President Dr. T.S. Sathyanarayana Rao.

Samridhi's Designer Expo begins

Dr. Hemamalini Lakshman, wife of Dr. K. Lakshman of Kannan Lab, Mysuru, is seen lighting the lamp to inaugurate Samridhi's Designer Exhibition at Hotel Southern Star in city this morning. Others seen are Rupa Nitin, Suhana Shetty Alva along with organiser Geeta Patel. The expo will be open from 10.30 am to 8.30 pm today and tomorrow.

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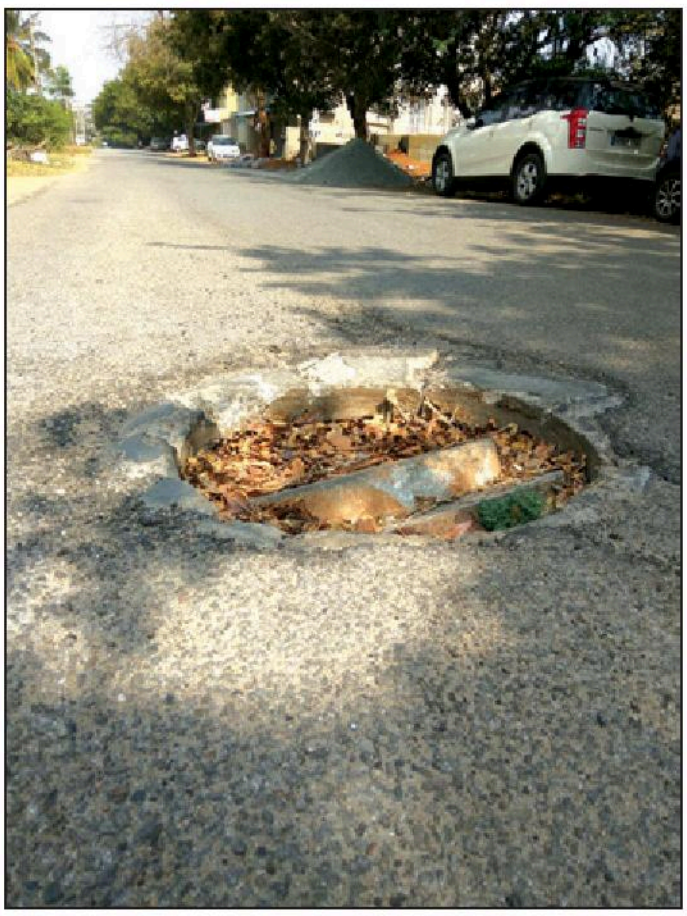
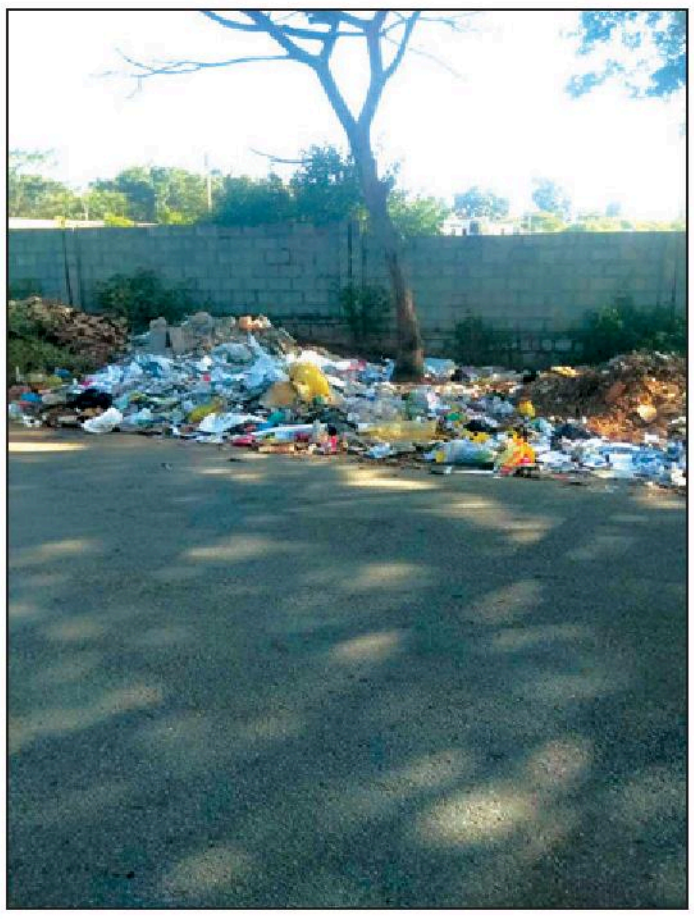
A death trap in Vijayanagar 1st stage



This manhole cover has turned into a death trap for motorists in Vijayanagar 1st Stage, 1st Main with many motorists sustaining severe injuries after passing on the manhole. Residents said that despite several complaints to the MCC, no action has been taken by the officials. Authorities concerned are urged to replace the manhole cover at the earliest and make way for smooth movement of traffic on this road.

Plea to clear garbage in Vijayanagar 2nd stage



Garbage such as plastic covers, construction debris and other such wastes which are dumped behind Sapthapadi Kalyana Mantap in Vijayanagar 2nd stage is not cleared and has become an eyesore in the locality. Authorities concerned are urged to take steps to get the garbage cleared at the earliest.

Felicitation marks Pensioner's Day

SITTING FROM LEFT: ***B.N. Sundareshwara, H.R. Bapu Sathyanarayana, Shantha Vijaya, S.G.Sonde and K. Subbakrishna, who were felicitated during Pensioner's Day in city recently, are seen with*** *(standing from left)* ***Shami Ahmed, P.M. Parameshwaraiah, Dr. T.S.S. Rao and M.S. Mohan.***

Mysuru, Jan.6 - The Central Government Pensioners Association (CGPA) celebrated Pensioner's Day in city recently.

Association President Dr. T.S. Satyanarayana Rao briefed about Association activities and the 7th Pay Commission. Secretary P.M. Parameshwaraiah explained the Supreme Court decision on Nakara case. Treasurer M.S. Mohan welcomed. Senior citizen H.R. Bapu Sathyanarayana also addressed the pensioners. The day concluded with felicitation to five senior members of the Association. Sunanda Dilip rendered invocation.

Swachhata awareness at SBM Colony

Mysuru, Jan. 6 (KS) - The MCC officials recently held an awareness programme on the steps to be taken by the residents during the *Swachh Survekshan* at SBM Park in Sriramapura at the instance of Mysore Bank Colony Residents Cultural and Welfare Association.

Speaking on the occasion, MCC Assistant Commissioner Javaregowda requested the residents to ensure segregation of garbage into dry and wet at the doorstep itself before handing them over to the Pourakarmikas.

He called for steps to be initiated by the residents to prevent dumping of garbage on roadsides by taking photos with vehicle numbers and forwarding them to the MCC who will penalise the offenders. CCTV cameras will also be installed at vantage points to catch the culprits, he added.

He requested the residents to have garbage pits at their home compounds itself and dump the wet waste there to produce compost which the farmers are ready to accept for their fields as organic fertiliser.

Deepthi, MCC Environment Engineer, requested the residents to download the *Swachhata* app on their smart phones and register themselves as app users and register their complaints of garbage dumping by uploading the photos through the app which would help the MCC to clear the garbage within 12 hours and also increase the number of active app users in Mysuru to support the ranking of Mysuru city in the competition.

A demo was also held to guide the public how to use the app in uploading photos and registering complaints online.

Apart from this, some residents complained about the nuisance they were facing on account of vacant sites becoming jungles and sought immediate action by the MCC or MUDA.

K. V. Ramanath, Association Secretary, welcomed. Venkatakrishna Bhat, Joint Secretary, proposed a vote of thanks. M. Basavanna, Vice-President, H.R. Prakash, Arunkumar Shettar, Umakanth, Rajashekar, Nagendra Prasad, Channamallaswamy and others were present.

R. Prakash Kumar nominated as MCC Corporator

Prakash Kumar

Mysuru, Jan.6- The State Government has nominated City Congress Vice-President R. Prakash Kumar as a member of the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC). Prakash Kumar is also the President of Seva Dal, a unit of City Congress.

Condolence Meet at KIKS in Gangothri tomorrow

Lakshmana Rao

Mysuru, Jan.6 - Breakthrough Science Society, Karnataka, in association with Kuvempu Institute of Kannada Studies (KIKS), University of Mysore, has organised a joint meeting on Jan. 7 at B.M. Sri Auditorium of the Institute in Manasagangothri at 10.30 am to condole the death of Science Writer Prof. J.R. Lakshmana Rao, who passed away in city recently.

KIKS former Director Prof. T.V. Venkatachala Shastry, *'Bala Vignana'* Chief Editor Srimathi Hariprasad, Science Writer Nagesh Hegde, KIKS Director Dr. Preethi Srimandar Kumar, Prof. Lakshmana Rao's daughter J.L. Anuradha and Breakthrough Science Society Advisor B. Ravi will be the guests.

Society's State President G. Satish Kumar will preside.

Five-day Sanchalana Children's Theatre Festival begins

Mysuru, Jan. 6 (SPN&US)- A five-day "Sanchalana Children's Theatre Festival," organised jointly by the Department of Kannada and culture and Niranthara Foundation, commenced yesterday at Kalamandira here.

Launching the Festival, MLA G.T. Devegowda opined that the talent, social concern and leadership qualities hidden in children should be brought out through theatre. However, he contended that staging a play with children as artistes was a tough proposition and hence, commended Niranthara Foundation in achieving the feat.

He said that children should be encouraged to take part in extra-curricular activities right from school level and sought the co-operation of theatre artistes in that context.

Continuing, Devegowda opined that theatre can critically examine social and political issues and added that grooming children in that sector would help them shape better in career and life.

Speaking on the occasion former Rangayana Director Chidambara Rao Jambe opined that the Government should encourage organisations like Niranthara Foundation which are actively involved in Children's Theatre Festivals. Students of Daisy Convent presented the play 'Madhyama Vyayoga.'

Today at 6.30 pm, Kukkarahalli Government School students will present 'Punyakoti' and students of Kadamba Ranga Vedike will present the play 'Hakkigala Jeeva Bhava.'

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My client had entered in to joint development agreement with Mr. Suhail Ahmed, Proprietor and Project Manager, M/s. City Construction, No. 183, 1st cross 2nd Main besides Magic Bus India Foundation, M.G. Road, Udayagiri, Mysuru on 07.05.2013 for construction of apartments in the property described in the schedule below with a time stipulation of 18 months and grace period of two months for delivering the constructed flats and extended till the month of July 2015 under the memorandum of understanding dated 05.05.2015. On account of laches and delaying tactics adopted by Mr. Suhail Ahmed in adhering to the terms of the indenture, the project is completely frustrated and abandoned. Faced with this situation, my client has terminated the said agreement dated 07.05.2013 and memorandum of understanding dated 05.05.2015 with immediate effect through notice dated 18.03.2017 duly served on him. Be notified that the joint development agreement dated 7.5.2013 and memorandum of understanding dated 5.5.2015 are no longer in force as they are legally terminated and revoked. My client has been released from all the obligations carved under the said indentures. My client is free to deal with the schedule property in any manner he likes.

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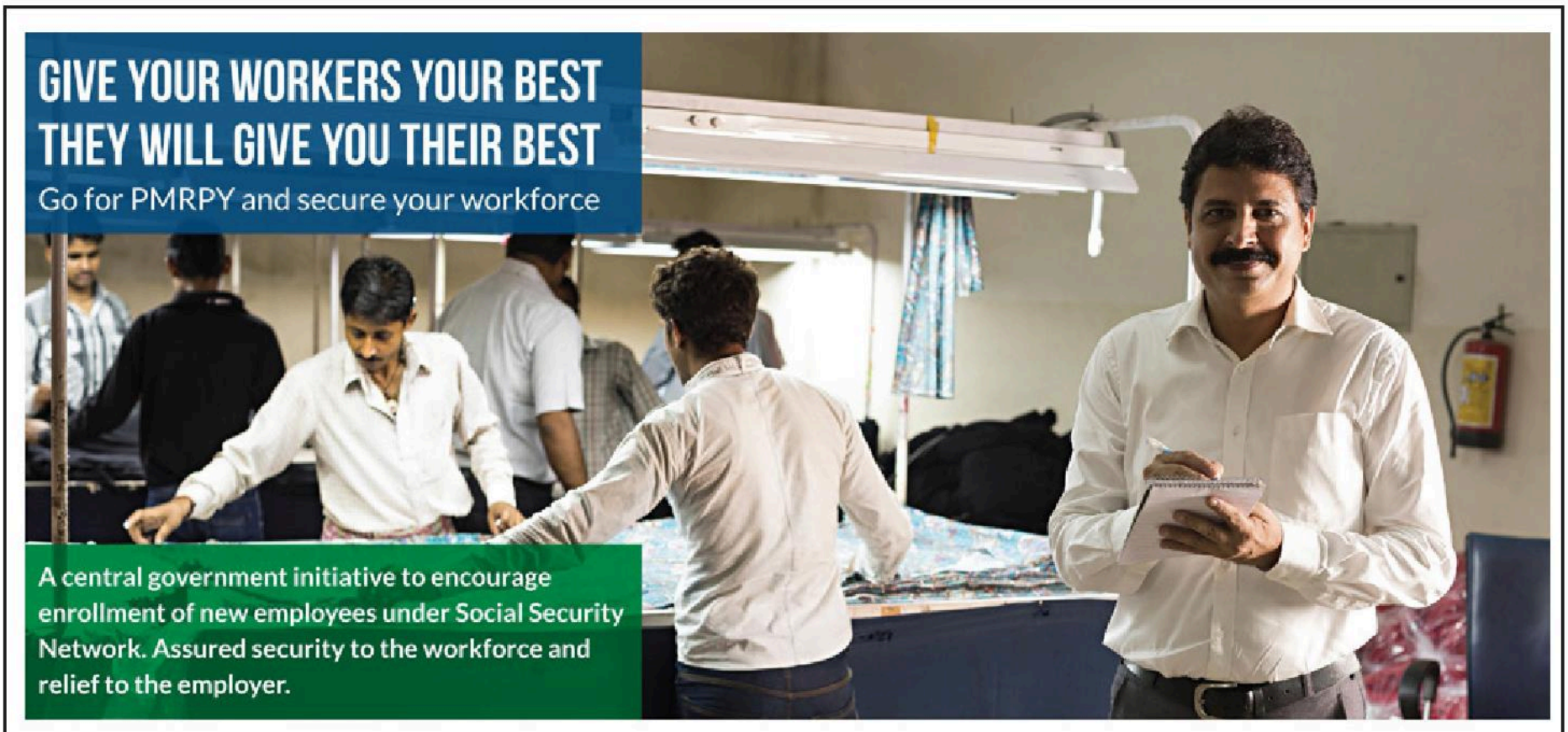
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MDFA 'B' Division Football

Facile win for Town Sports FC

Mysuru, Jan.6- Helped by a goal each by left-out Ayush and centre-forward Suraj, Town Sports FC, Bannur, scored a 2-0 win over Easter FC in their Group 'A' league tie in the MDFA 'B" Division league 2017-18 for the Govindaraju Memorial Trophy, held at the University Grounds here yesterday.

This is Town Sports FC's second win in as many matches, while Easter FC have won one and lost one in their two games.

RESULTS

Town Sports FC, Bannur: 2 (Ayush 13, Suraj 50) bt **Easter FC:** 0.

KTPPA-AITA CS U-18 Tennis from today

Mysuru lads, brothers Aryan Pathange and Arnav Pathange, are seeded one and two in the Singles event. Upcoming player G. Manish from Mysuru is also in the main draw.

Mysuru, Jan.6- The Karnataka Tennis Players Parents Association (KTPPA), under the aegis of the AITA & KSLTA, will be conducting the KTPPA-AITA CS U-18 Tennis Tourney (for boys & girls) at the Mysore Tennis Club's Courts here from Jan.6 to 12.

The qualifying rounds of the Tourney start from Jan.6, while the main draw in the boys and girls section begin from Monday.

SEEDING-MAIN DRAW

Boys: 1. Aryan Pathange (Kar), **2.** Arnav Pathange (Kar), **3.** N. Rishab (Kar), **4.** P. Vishal Reddy (Kar), **5.** Shashank A. Narde.

Girls: 1. Yashaswini Singh Panwar (MP), **2.** Shreya Chakroborthy (WB), **3.** Naisha Srivatsav (Kar), **4.** Sanjuktha Vikram (Kar), **5.** Ishitha Dhyaneshwar Jhadav.

South Zone Inter-University Cricket

Seven wicket win for University of Mysore

Vaizag, Jan.6- Good performances with the ball from medium-pacers Yodhan Hrudhay (three for 10), M. Varun (three for 15) and K. Shashank (two for 13), helped University of Mysore to register a facile seven-wicket win over Pondicherry University and enter the third round in the South Zone Inter-University Cricket Tournament 2017-18, played at Vaizag yesterday.

SCORES

Pondicherry University: 66 in 16.5 overs (M. Madan 22, Yodhan Hrudhay 3 for 10, M. Varun 3 for 15, K. Shashank 2 for 13) lost to **University of Mysore:** 70 for 3 in 11.3 overs (Madan Mohan 22 n.o.).

IIFL Wealth 3rd Mumbai Intl. Chess

City's Girish held to a draw

Mumbai, Jan.6- Mysuru lad, IM Girish A. Koushik (2412), taking part in IIFL Wealth 3rd Mumbai International Chess Tournament at Bandra (E), Mumbai, from Dec.30, 2017 to Jan.7, 2018 drew his sixth round tie with India's Pratik Patil yesterday.

After six rounds, Girish A. Koushik has secured 4 points and is placed 65th in the rankings. In the seventh round, he meets H. Balasubramaniam (2147).

After six rounds, GM Deepan Chakravarthy leads with six points and is followed by GM M. Parsham (IRI), GM Rozum Ivan (RUS), FM Erigaisi Arjun (Ind) and GM David Alberto (ITA) with 5 points each.

3rd State SMN Memorial Women's Basketball

Third win for DYES (Mysuru)

Bengaluru, Jan.6- DYES (Mysuru) registered their third successive win by beating DYES (Mandya) 31-23 in the 3rd State SMN Memorial Women's Basketball league for the Mathru Cup at Sree Kanteerava Stadium Courts here yesterday.

RESULTS

DYES (Mysuru): 31 (Amulya 7) bt **SYES (Mandya):** 23 (Hamsa 10); **Mounts Club:** 46 (Abigail 8) bt **Vivek SC:** 22 (Rakshitha 9).

City Karatekas win prizes

The students of Okinawa Karate Do Shorin Ryu Shorin Kai Association, India, won 35 gold, 10 silver and 13 Bronze medals and bagged Runners Trophy in the 16th Open National Karate Championship-2017 organised by Shin Gi Tai Academy recently at Hassan. Seen in the picture are (from left - standing) Chandan (2 First), Rohan (1 First, 1 Second), N.S. Meghana (2 First), Sempai Prajwal (1 First), Kyoshi S. Sunil Kumar (Chief Instructor, Examiner and Asian Representative), M.S. Shashank (1 Second, 1 Third), Harshitha (2 First), B.V. Aneesh (1 First, 1 Second), Shreyas (2 First); 2nd Line: Manav Ayappa (1 Third), Pruthvik (1 First, 1 Second), Nagesh (1 Third), Chiranth (2 First), Pragun (2 Third), Advaith S. Kumar (2 First), Sanika (1 First, 1 Second) Dhanush Babu (2 Third), Dhyan Somanna (1 Third), Nagendra (1 First, 1 Third), Prashush Gowda (1 Second, 1 Third); Sitting: Sumeda Bhoud (1 First, 1 Second), Drupad (1 Second, 1 Third), Bhoomi Sharath (2 First), Samhitha Raam (1 First, 1 Third), Sahana (2 First), Lakshitha (2 First), Rishith (1 First), Bhaskar (1 First, 1 Third), Diganth (1 Third), Abhinav Kiran (1 First, 1 Second) and Munazza Fathima (2 First).

The students of Mysore West Lions Sevaniketan School, who won prizes in various categories of the 24th State-level Karate Championship-2017 held at University Gymnasium Hall in city recently, are seen with Mysore West Lions Sevaniketan School Principal N.V. Sivakumar, School Administrator H.S. Thrinesh, Physical Education Teacher Shrilatha, School students and Chief Instructor Shihan N.G. Sivadas. Competition was conducted by Shihan N.G. Sivadas, Chief Instructor, Sensei Munendra, Instructor and Sensei Diddaraju-Instrutor of Mabuni-Ha Shito-Ryu Karate Association.

Students of Future Foundation School, Dattagalli, Mysuru, secured many prizes in the Shogen Ryu National Karate Championship-2017 organised by Kokusai Shogen Ryu Karate Do, India, which was held at Deepa PU College auditorium in Roopanagar recently. The winners — Buvan (Silver), Varun (Gold), Sujan (Bronze), Kushal (Bronze), Bharath (Gold), Deeksha (Silver) and Shishir (Silver) — are seen with Head Mistress Roopa and Sensei Liji Johnson.

Governor calls for advanced audio research

Golden Jubilee Conference of ISHA

Governor Vajubhai Rudabhai Vala lighting the lamp to inaugurate the Golden Jubilee Conference of Indian Speech and Hearing Association (ISHA), organised by Mysuru Chapter of the Indian Speech and Hearing Association (MyISHA), at the All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH), here yesterday, as Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar, ISHA Immediate Past President Dr. Madhuri Ghore, President Dr. Asha Yatiraj, Secretary Indranil Kulkarni, Dr. Krishna and AIISH Director Dr. S.P. Savithri look on.

Mysuru, Jan.6 (YDS&NNN)- Governor Vajubhai Rudabhai Vala said that there was a strong need for giving more importance to research on speech and hearing disabilities in the country. He was speaking after inaugurating the Golden Jubilee Conference of Indian Speech and Hearing Association (ISHA), organised by Mysuru Chapter of the Indian Speech and Hearing Association (MyISHA), at All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH) here yesterday and said that the country has made progress in the manufacture of aeroplanes and satellites.

However, it is sad to see that when it comes to the instruments and equipment for speech and hearing, most of it is imported from abroad. "If we do research and manufacture it in our country then the cost will come down. What could cost Rs. Three lakh if it is imported, could be produced here at just Rs.50,000," he said.

In the medical field, which is a service area, making money should not be the focus. "One can get immense satisfaction in the field by serving the poor and needy.

A few weeks ago there was problem between the Government and the private medical establishments regarding the amendment to the KPME Bill. But it was solved through mutual dialogue. This has given satisfaction to the medical fraternity too. Now, the doctors should provide proper medical care to the patients," he said and lauded the efforts of Prime Minister Narendra Modi who is working in the interest of the nation.

Taking a dig at the male students, Governor Vala said, "Earlier in the education field males were bagging more gold medals. Now the number of boys bagging gold medals is going down and the girls bagging it is on the rise. Thus the women are empowering themselves."

Hence, he asked everyone to work in such a way that they will get good results. Only then can a country progress, he said.

Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar recalled the contributions of the Wadiyars towards AIISH. "Jayachamaraja Wadiyar had visited a Speech and Hearing Institute in America in 1959. In 1965, he donated 22 acres of land to set up a similar institute in the country for the construction of AIISH," he said.

Mangaluru Kastur Ba Medical College's Dr. Jayashree S. Bhat, Mumbai's Dr. Gayathri Hattangadi, Calicut Government Medical College's Assistant Professor Dr. Sameer Puteri were conferred the annual award for their contribution to the field.

ISHA Immediate Past President Dr. Madhuri Ghore, President Dr. Asha Yatiraj, Secretary Indranil Kulkarni, Dr. Krishna, AIISH Director Dr. S.P. Savithri and others were present.

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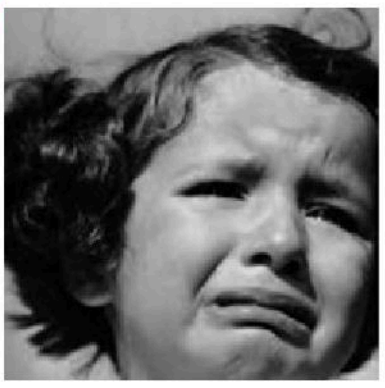
Maudlin

Pronunciation: MAUD-lin



Meaning: weakly and effusively sentimental.
Origin: The history of maudlin owes as much to the Bible as to the barroom. The biblical Mary Magdalene is often (though some say mistakenly) identified with the weeping sinner who washed Jesus' feet with her tears to repent for her sins. This association led to the frequent depiction of Mary Magdalene as a weeping penitent, and even the name Magdalene came to suggest teary emotion to many English speakers. It was then that maudlin, an alteration of Magdalene, appeared in the English phrase "maudlin drunk," which, as one Englishman explained in 1592, described a tearful drunken state whereby "a fellow will weep for kindness in the midst of his Ale and kiss you."

THE ODD WORD

Spiel

Plausible glib talk (especially useful to a salesperson)

IDIOM OF THE DAY

Live on a shoestring

Meaning: To live within a very tight or limited financial budget.
Origin: The expression shoestring may have been derived from a gambling game called faro. The term shoestring gambler was used for a petty gambler. A shoestring budget indicates that the person's resources are as limited as the laces of his shoe. A popular notion refers to the shoestrings being low, almost touching the ground and hence a shoestring budget indicating a low budget. Another reference to the use of the expression shoestring budget may lie in the fact that shoelaces are relatively cheap and a shoestring budget may refer to having money just enough to buy shoestrings.

QUOTE BOX

Life is 10% what happens to you and 90% how you react to it.

—Charles R. Swindoll

RIDDLE THIS

What begins with T, ends with T and has T in it?

Answer: Teapot.

SUDOKU

2	1				4			
				9				
7							8	6
	2			5	1	3		
			4		7			
		7	3	6			4	
1	8							7
				2				
			5				9	1

Answer to previous puzzle

9	5	7	4	3	6	1	2	8
3	2	6	7	8	1	9	4	5
1	8	4	2	5	9	3	6	7
4	1	2	8	7	5	6	3	9
6	3	5	9	2	4	7	8	1
7	9	8	1	6	3	4	5	2
8	7	3	6	1	2	5	9	4
2	6	9	5	4	7	8	1	3
5	4	1	3	9	8	2	7	6

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

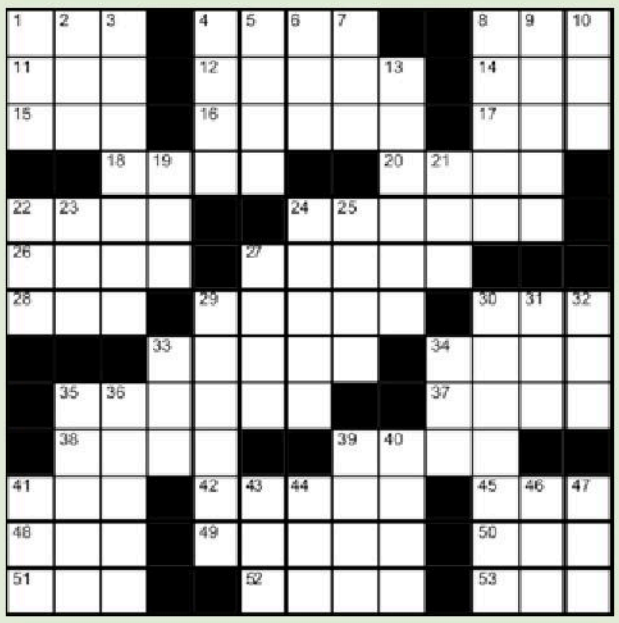
1 Pas' mates
4 _ __ of roses : a pleasant and luxurious existence? (1,3)
8 A long, broad sash tied about the waist over a Japanese kimono
11 Unseal - poetically speaking!
12 Crazed or crazily enthusiastic
14 Part of a circle
15 Estimated Time En route
16 Picture-stand
17 "Are" anagram for a foreign boy's name?
18 Tel ser. provider in New Delhi and Mumbai
20 ___ out : makes living or supports with difficulty?
22 Greek goddess of the earth
24 Strands of hair weaved together, in a way?
26 Breed of cat
27 Flesh ___ : not a serious injury?
28 Children's game of chasing and touching
29 The nether-world?
30 Indian tea
33 Stormed and fumed?
34 In this way
35 Looked slyly or maliciously or lasciviously
37 P. Simon's '_ __ _ Rock' (1,2,1)
38 Long live (Spanish).
39 One of the nomadic race of northern Scandinavia
41 Equipment, including necessary machinery, for a particular enterprise
42 Each of a set of indoor steps
45 African Natl. Cong.
48 Not Invented Here
49 Balm or lotion
50 Small peg for supporting a golf ball
51 An islet, poetically speaking?
52 Mrs. Bachchan
53 Prefix meaning equal

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER:

A	D	A	■	R	A	M	■	C	A	T	O	
R	O	B	■	A	V	I	■	H	A	H	A	
M	A	R	A	T	H	A	S	■	A	R	U	T
■	■	A	C	C	U	S	T	O	M	E	D	■
V	E	S	T	A	■	T	O	M	B	■	■	■
I	D	I	■	■	■	■	O	N	A	I	R	■
R	E	V	S	U	P	■	K	I	L	T	E	R
■	N	E	H	R	A	■	■	■	A	T	A	■
■	■	■	I	S	I	S	■	S	A	N	D	Y
■	N	O	V	A	S	C	O	T	I	A	■	■
R	O	U	E	■	L	A	R	Y	N	G	E	S
U	S	S	R	■	E	T	A	■	■	A	L	A
N	E	T	S	■	Y	S	L	■	■	R	L	G

DOWN

1 One of the Three Stooges?
2 Fitting or suitable
3 Indicating, portending or sounding to be
4 Usually the last word of a prayer
5 A false biblical god
6 Abstract being - "sen" anagram?
7 Depart - with engraved stamp, should we say?
8 Propelled a boat?
9 Alloy of copper and zinc
10 Frozen water
13 Washes or launders?
19 It is levied on income, sales, wealth or death?
21 Leather made from the skin of a young goat
22 Greenwich Mean Time
23 Alcoholic Anonymous Association, should we say?
24 Foretold, was an omen of
25 Felt remorse for
27 You may have one in your hair
29 Badger
30 Indian flat bread
31 Saif and Rani's ___ Tum
32 As bare __ _ stone? (2,1)
33 ___ up : increase in strength or accelerate sharply?
34 ___ of an iceberg : small evident part of something much bigger?
35 Roman 58
36 Second last single digit number
39 Ancient Roman historian and prose writer
40 Section, territory or zone?
41 Genetic material
43 __ Mahal : the wonder at Agra?
44 Alabama
46 Video game mfr.
47 Chief executive officer, in short



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

WLE FIUURZRGLOBE WCAWLZGC OGZPLHBHKE

RF RLCRFORLKIRFPWXBG UQHD DWKRZ

TODAY'S CLUE: L EQUALS N

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: My theology, briefly, is that the universe was dictated but not signed

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
Bruhaspati	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
	Mahadeshwara	9900820093	4 Shows
Anjani Putra	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
Punarambha	Prabha	2423569	4 Shows
Chamak	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
	Lido	2420885	4 Shows
Mufti	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
Namavaru Yaaru	Olympia	2420737	4 Shows
HINDI			
Tiger Zinda Hai	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
Aakhri Raat	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
Aakhri Sauda	Uma	2520009	4 Shows
ENGLISH			
Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows
TAMIL			
Velaikkaran	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
TELUGU			
Middle Class Abbayi (MCA)	Padma	2521923	4 Shows

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Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle (E-3D)		
	(S-1)	10 am, 5.10 pm, 7.30
Insidious: The Last Key (E)	(S-1)	12.20 pm, 9.55 pm
	(S-3)	7.20 pm
Chamak (K)	(S-1)	2.25 pm
	(S-4)	4.10 pm, 7.00 pm
All the Money in the World (E)	(S-2)	10.55 am, 9.55 pm
Tiger Zinda Hai (H)	(S-2)	1.30 pm, 7.00 pm
Pitch Perfect-3 (E)	(S-2)	4.45 pm
	(S-4)	9.55 pm
Bruhaspati (K)	(S-3)	11.00 am, 1.45 pm
Anjani Putra (K)	(S-3)	4.30 pm
Eeda (Ma)	(S-3)	9.50 pm
Aadu-2 (Ma)	(S-4)	10.40 am
Anjani Putra (K)	(S-4)	1.30 pm

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Insidious: The Last Key (E)	(S-1)	10 am, 2.50 pm, 7.40
	(S-2)	9.50 pm
Bruhaspati (K)	(S-3)	1.15 pm
	(S-4)	9.55 am, 6.55 pm
Anjani Putra (K)	(S-4)	12.50 pm, 9.55 pm
Tiger Zinda Hai (H)	(S-3)	10.00 am, 4.15 pm, 9.40 pm
Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle (E-3D)		
	(S-1)	12.15 pm, 5.05 pm 9.55 pm
Chamak (K)	(S-2)	12.50 pm, 3.50 pm 6.50 pm
Aadu (Ma)	(S-4)	3.50 pm
Pitch Perfect-3 (E)	(S-2)	10.40 am
	(S-3)	7.30 pm

Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

EVENTS TODAY (JAN.6)

Handloom and Textiles Department and JSS Mysuru Urban Haat: Exhibition-sum-Sale of pure handloom products from weavers across the country, JSS Mysuru Urban Haat, Ring Road, Hebbal Industrial Area, **up to 9 pm.**

Samridhi: Expo of collection of clothes, jewellery, bags and accessories, Hotel Southern Star, **up to 8.30 pm.**

Kuvempu Institute of Kannada Studies (KIKS) and Balaga Mysuru: Special lecture on 'Pravadi' authored by Khalil Gibran marking the author's birth anniversary, theatre person and thinker H.S. Umesh speaks, KIKS Director Prof. Priti Srimandarkumar presides, B.M. Sri auditorium, KIKS premises, Manasagangothri, **3.30 pm.**

Kalasuruchi: Story- telling by G. Sudha, Associate Professor, Sri Madeswara Govt. First Grade College, Kollegal, Suruchi Rangamane, # 476, Chitrabhanu Road, Kuvempunagar, **4.30 pm to 5.30 pm.**

International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON): Sri Krishna Balarama Ratha Yatra, Inauguration at Palace Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple, Palace North Gate, **4.30 pm to 5.30 pm;** Ratha Yatra from Palace to ISKCON, Jayanagar, **4.30 pm to 8.30 pm;** Arati with Sankirtana, ISKCON, Jayanagar, **8.30 pm.**

Baden Powell Public School: Annual School Day Fest (2017-18), MLA and former Mayor Vasu chief guest, BP Education Society President and ex-Mayor P. Vishwanath presides, Kalamandira, **5 pm.**

Sri Andal Mandiram Trust: Dhanurmasa puja, discourse on 'Thiruppavai' by Dr. G.V. Narasimhan, Mandiram premises, V.V. Puram, **5.30 pm to 7 pm.**

Hebbar Srivaishnava Upasabha, Sri Goda Govinda Seva Samiti and Sri Vaishnava Sabha: 'Tiruppavai Kaalakshepa' (Sri Godopanishath) programme, discourse by Vidu. Janaki Sheshadri, Sri Vaishnava Sabha, Kantharaj Urs Road, Saraswathipuram, **5.30 pm to 7 pm.**

Rotary Club of Vijayanagar, Mysuru: RI District - 3181: Ambari, the District Interact Conference - 2018, inauguration of Cultural Evening, Kannada Cine Artiste Tabala Nani and City Police Commissioner Dr. A. Subrahmanyeswara Rao chief guests, Rtn. M.S. Jayaprakash, Chairman, Dist. Interact Committee, Itr. Bhoomika Priyadarshini, District Interact Representative, Rtn. P.V. Ramdas, Asst. Governor, Zone-8, Rtn. A.R. Ravindra Bhat, Asst. Governor, Zone- 7 and Rtn D.C. Chandra Kumar, Z/L Zone - 8, guests of honour, J.K. Grounds auditorium, **6 pm.**

Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha: Karnatak Classical Violin by Vid. Srikanth Radhakrishnan, accompanied by Vid. Nikshith Puttur on mridanga and Vid. S. Manjunath on ghata, Sabha premises, JLB Road, **6 pm.**

Vijay Foundation and The Institution of Engineers, Mysuru: Swami Nityasthanandaji, Senior Swamiji, Ramakrishna Ashrama, Mysuru, releases book 'Art and Science of Mudras - Healing at your finger tips' authored by Prof. D.V.S. Iyer, Dr. Shanthalakshmi R. Iyer, Wellness Expert from Atlanta, GA, USA and R. Narayan, Raghulal Health Mart, Mysuru, guests of honour, S.P. Bhat Hall, The Institution of Engineers (India), JLB Road, **6 pm.**

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Church: Holy Eucharistic celebration, Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto, Srirampura Church, **6 pm.**

Sri Mahajana Sabha, Krishnamurthypuram Sri Rama Mandira, Mysuru and The Hebbar Vaishnava Upasabha, K.R. Vanam: Tirupavai Discourse by Vid. Shelvanarayana, Melukote, Krishnamurthypuram Sri Rama Mandira, Kantharaja Urs Road, **6.30 pm to 8 pm.**

Sanchalana Mysuru: Children's theatre festival, staging of plays *'Punyakoti'* and *'Hakkigala Jeeva Bhaava,'* Mini Rangamandira, Kalamandira premises, **6.30 pm.**

Prajapita Brahma Kumari Ishwariya Vishwa Vidyalaya, Mysuru: Enlightening get-together with Rajyogini Dadi Jankiji, Chief of Brahma Kumaris, Mount Abu, Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji of Suttur Srikshetra, Sri Nirmalanandanatha Swamiji of Adichunchanagiri Mutt, B.K. Ashaji, Director, Om Shanti Retreat Centre, Delhi and Chairperson, Administrators' Service Wing, Brahma Kumaris, Mount Abu and B.K. Lakshmiji, Chief Coordinator, Brahma Kumaris, Mysuru Sub-Zone, will be present, Gyan Sarovar, Lingadevarakoppal, Hunsur Road, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (JAN.7)

Sri Shiradi Sai Biksha Kendra, Mysuru: Dwadasha Kaliyaru, Dwadasha Durgiyaru and Dasha Mahakaliyaru - Mahayaga by Sri Lakshmi Srinivasa Guruji, Rukmini Ramachandra Convention Centre, T. Narasipur Road, Alanahalli, **7 am to 2 pm.**

Rotary Club of Vijayanagar, Mysuru: RI District - 3181: Ambari, Inauguration of District Interact Conference by Rtn. M.M. Suresh Chengappa, District Governor, RI Dist. - 3181, Rtn. Rohinat, District Governor-Elect, Rtn. Joseph Mathew, District Governor-Nominee and others guests of honour, J.K. Grounds, **8.30 am.**

Samarpana - Smt. Radhamma Smaraka Trust: 9th State-level Samarpana Singing Contest-2018, **9 am;** Samarpana Sangeethotsava and 'Samarpana Sangeetha Shri' award presentation and prize distribution ceremony, Gopalaswamy Shishuvihar Educational Institution, Lakshmipuram, **5 pm.**

St. Reeta's Higher Primary School: Gettogether of old students and teachers, MLA M.K. Somashekar inaugurates, St. Reeta's Higher Primary School Manager Sr. Rathna Teres presides, Kannada Medium HM Sr. Sofia and English Medium HM Sr. Monica chief guests, School premises, Silk Factory Circle, Manandavadi Road, **10 am.**

Uluchukamme Brahmana Sangha: Annual General Body Meeting, Agarwal Kalyana Mantap, Srirampet, **10 am.**

Shree Kaveri Kodagu Mahila Sangha: Cultural competitions (Dance, Drawing, Singing and Pick-and-Speak), Ballachanda Naina Achappa chief guest, Sangha President Balladichanda Jerry Ponnappa presides, Kodagu Sahakara Sangha, Jayalakshmipuram, **10.30 am.**

Basava Samiti, Hebbal-Vijayanagar: Sharana Sangama-240, talk on 'Sharanara Samajavada' by Dr. H.P. Mohan Kumar Shastry, Basava Samiti - Hebbal-Vijayanagar President H.V. Basavaraju presides, Basava Bhavana, CA-5, Vijayanagar 1st Stage (behind Kodava Samaja), **10.30 am.**

Brahma Kumaris, Mysuru Sub-Zone and Suttur Mutt: 'Karnataka Santa Samagama,' discussions on 'Attaining superlative culture through the power of God,' Rajyogini Dadi Jankiji inaugurates, Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji, Sri Siddalinga Swamiji of Sri Siddaganga Srikshetra, Tumakuru, Swami Atmajnanandaji of Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama, Mysuru, Sri Someshwaranatha Swamiji of Sri Adichunchanagiri Mutt graces the occasion, Gyan Sarovar, **10.30 am.**

Samridhi: Expo of collection of clothes, jewellery, bags and accessories, Hotel Southern Star, **10.30 am to 8.30 pm.**

Sri Uma Maheshwara Nruthya Kalakshetra Trust: Nruthya Samarpana-2018, the decennial celebrations, Dr. Vasundhara Doraswamy, Founder-Director, VPAC, Mysuru, presides, H. Channappa, Assistant Director, Department of Kannada and Culture, Mysuru and Dr. S.P. Umadevi, HoD of Kannada Department, JSS Women's College, Saraswathipuram, chief guests, conferring of 'Somasree Award' on Vidu. Kripa Phadke, Founder-Director of Nruthyagiri, Mysuru and Mridanga Vidwan Hanumantharaju, Director of Saraswathi Gaanakala Shala, Mysuru, homage to the Founder-Patron of the Kalakshetra, Karnataka Kalasree, Natyacharya late T.N. Somashekar, 'Guru Vandana,' a Bharathanatya dance feature by the senior disciples of the Institution; 'Shiva Thathva Natya Vaibhavam,' a dance ballet by the disciples of Guru Vidu. Sreelakshmi Kumar, Director of the Kalakshetra, Dr. Sarvamangala Shankar, Vice-Chancellor, Music University, inaugurates, Kalamandira, **4 pm.**

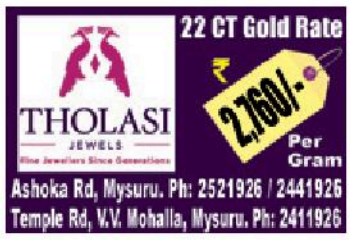
Vasavi Vidyanikethana: School anniversary celebrations, Institution Hon. President B.V. Srinivasa Gupta presides, DDPI Manjula, Corporator K.V. Mallesh and SKPC Bank President M. Badrish chief guests, Jaganmohan Palace, **4 pm.**

Akhila Bharata Sharana Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru: 'Shakuntala Jayadev Sharana Award' presentation-2017, Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji graces the occasion, awardees - Dr. Saraju Kaatkar and Dr. Gangambike Akka, Parishat Bengaluru President Dr. Basavaraja Sadara presides, Sri Rajendra Bhavan, JSS Hospital premises, **5 pm.**

Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha: 63rd anniversary of the Sabha, award function in memory Dr. A.K. Gopalarajan, conferring of 'Nadabrahma' title on Vid. H.K. Narasimha Murthy and 'Nadakishora' on *Nadakishorothsava*-winner Vid. Srikanth Radhakrishnan, Sabha premises, JLB Road, **6.30 pm.**

Sanchalana Mysuru: Children's theatre festival, Bharatanatyam by Shreya Mahesh from Bengaluru, Yakshagana 'Sri Krishna Parijatha' by students of Yaksha Kala Academy-Bengaluru, Mini Rangamandira, Kalamandira premises, **6.30 pm.**

Sri Venugopalaswamy Temple: Discourse on 'Thiruppavai' by Dr. G.V. Narasimhan, Temple premises, Tyagaraja Road, K.R. Mohalla, **7 pm.**



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